

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention discloses an array substrate for an active-matrix LCD device and a method of fabricating the same. The array substrate reduces the number of masks typically used in the fabrication process so that reliability is enhanced and the cost is reduced  
5 over the conventional device and method. Electric shorts caused by hillocks can be prevented or reduced by incorporating short-preventing sections between the gate line and an overlapping pixel electrode.